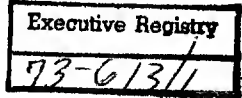


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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director

Bill:

1. Attached is a draft Delegation of Authority by the DCI. Technically it is not required as there is a permanent delegation in the regulations, but prior DCIs have seen fit to issue it any way, and it could be used as a basis for expressing the DCI's administrative philosophy.

2. The certification authority is mentioned, as in the statute it runs to the DCI, but we have the Comptroller General's agreement that it can be delegated to the Deputy. The only action which we believe cannot be taken by the Deputy is the authority for termination of employees. The courts have consistently held that it must be exercised by the head of the Agency personally. Of course, in the DCI's absence the Acting DCI can exercise this authority.

A handwritten signature in ink, appearing to read "Larry", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Lawrence R. Houston

Attachment



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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

I hereby delegate to the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence all authorities vested in me by law or by virtue of my position as Director of Central Intelligence and head of the Central Intelligence Agency, including, but not limited to, the certification authority set forth in section 8(b) of the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, as amended, except for any authorities the delegation of which is inconsistent with applicable law.

All other delegations of authority currently in force remain valid to the extent they are not inconsistent with this delegation.

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(Date)

Signed

JAMES R. SCHLESINGER
Director of Central Intelligence

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